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783 784	10th Nov.	8th Nov. No. 5.	Nos. 610–11 of 1898.	1277 1278 1289 1290 1291 1312 1318 1319	*Officers lent to Native States.*—Directing the transmission to the Secretary of State of the returns for the quarter ending 30th September 1898 of officers whose services were lent to Native States, and of officers previously lent whose salaries were increased. Copy to the Government of India, Foreign department.
785	10th "	..	No. 135 of 1897. No. 185 of 1894. No. 777 of 1888.	1091 1231	*Carnatic Stipends*—Stating that the Government does not consider that there is any reason to depart from the ordinary rules as regards the amount to be continued from the stipends of the late Muhammad Ibad-ullah, Khan Bahadur; and directing the distribution of a moiety (Rs. 145) of the stipends among the family of the deceased.
787	11th "	..	Nos. 323–24 of 1898. Nos. 141–42 of 1898.	1373	*Laccadive Islands.*—Communicating to the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), for report, letter from the Government of India requesting to be furnished with a statement showing the gross revenue derived from and the gross expenditure incurred on account of the administration of the — from fasli 1285 inclusive.
799	18th "	..	No. 676 of 1898.	1400	*Infantry Lines at Trichur.*—Regarding the —.

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812 813	1898. 24th Nov.	..	..	1354	*Transfer of Services.*— According sanction to the transfer of the services of Kuppuswami Pillai, 1st-grade head constable No. 18, of Trichinopoly, to the Pudukkóttai State on a net Salary of Rs. 50 + Rs. 15 horse allowance up to the 30th June 1899.
815	25th "	..	No. 588 of 1897.	1404	*Health Institute for India.*—Communicating to Political officers in the Madras Presidency letter from the Government of India regarding a scheme for the establishment of a — to be erected and endowed by Ruling Chiefs in commemoration of the sixtieth year of Her Majesty's reign, with the remark that the matter should be brought to the notice of Darbars of Native States in a suitable manner and the result reported in due course.
816	25th "	..	Nos. 693–94 of 1898.	1442	*Civil Disabilities of Christian Converts in certain Native States.*— Recording endorsement of Government of India forwarding copy of its reply to the memorial addressed to that Government by certain Missionary Societies on the subject of the civil disabilities of Christian converts in the Native States of Mysore, Travancore and Cochin.
817 818	29th "	..	Nos. 523–24 of 1898.	1298	*Acquisition of certain Lands by the Mysore Darbar in Ootacamund.*— Directing that the Resident in Mysore be addressed regarding the proposed acquisition by the Mysore Darbar of certain waste lands adjoining "Fern Hill" at Ootacamund.

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766	1898. 1st Nov.	..	No. 624 of 1898. No. 491 of 1898.	1380	*Petition.*—Referring Bakshi Begam, daughter of the late Mirza Budan Beg, a Mysore pensioner, to G.O., No. 624, Political, dated 2nd September 1898, declining to reconsider the orders passed in the matter of the distribution of the stipend held by her late father, and informing her that further petitions from her on the subject will not be noticed.
767	1st „	..	No. 691 of 1898. No 470 of 1898.	1379	*Scavengers(Toties).*—Communicating to all Political officers proceedings, Pension department, declaring that all — in all departments of the public service are ineligible for pension, and stating that this declaration will not affect the claims of any individuals of the class at present in the service whose claims for pension have been held admissible under the rules of the Civil Service Regulations.
768	1st „	..	No. 294 of 1894.	1352	*Irrecoverable Arrears of Revenue.*—Stating that the Government has no objection to the proposal of the Pudukkóttai Darbar to write off a sum of Rs. 28,000 being the — for faslis 1300 to 1304.
769	1st „	..	No. 646 of 1898. No. 457 of 1898. No. 383 of 1898.	1367	*City of Madras Regulation No. 2?.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin proceedings, Local and Municipal department, ordering the publication of a notification in the *Fort St. George Gazette* amending the —.

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770	1898. 1st Nov.	..	..	1369	*Rampakam Spring Channel.*—Communicating to the Special Agent, South Arcot proceedings, Public Works department, directing that, in connection with the construction of a head sluice to the — on behalf of the French Government, recoveries be made on presentation of vouchers and completion certificates and that, in the meanwhile, the expenditure be debited to Miscellaneous advances.
771	2nd "	..	No. 384 of 1898.	1366	*Diamond Jubilee.*—Recording letter from the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, forwarding letter from Haji Zuhur-ud-din Ahmad Khan Bahadur acknowledging receipt of G.O., No. 384, Political, dated 7th June 1898, informing him that Her Majesty the Queen-Empress has been pleased to accept with thanks the Persian ode presented by him in commemoration of Her Majesty's —.
772	3rd "	..	..	1384	*Plague Punches.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin and to the Political Agents, Pudukkóttai, Sandúru and Banganapalle proceedings, Local and Municipal department, requesting the Plague Commissioner to supply to all railway inspection stations — of the pattern in use at the Tungabhadra and Arkónam inspection stations, and issuing certain further instructions in regard to their use.
773	3rd "	..	..	1382	*His Highness the Rajah of Pudukkóttai.*—Telegraphing to the Government of Bombay that — leaves Marseilles on the 3rd instant for Bombay direct by the P and O Steamer "Egypt" and that he requests that customs facilities may be granted to himself and suite.
774	4th "	..	..	1403	*His Highness the Rajah of Cochin.*—Communicating to the Collectors concerned for the necessary action letter from the Diwan of Cochin intimating the date of the departure of — from Madras by special train for Shoranore, and requesting the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor to arrange for a salute on His Highness' departure.

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775	1898. 5th Nov.	..	No. 597 of 1898.	1265	*Petition.*—Referring one Kulaparayil Abdul Kader to G.O., No. 597, Political, dated 23rd August 1898, declining to interfere with the proceedings of the Collector of Malabar about the succession to certain property in the Agathi Island of the Malabar Laccadives.
776	5th "	..	..	1392	*Contribution to private Plague Hospitals.*—Recording proceedings, Local and Municipal department, fixing, with remarks, the — in regard to their construction and maintenance, and stating that these grants will be met from Provincial Funds.
777 778	7th "	..	..	1397	*Petition to the Ceylon Government.*—Communicating to the Collector of Trichinopoly, for the necessary action, letter from the Ceylon Government requesting that K. K. Sundararajulu Raja be informed that his prayer that he may be appointed as Dy. Inspector of vaccination in Ceylon cannot be granted.
779	7th "	..	..	1414	*Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act (VI of 1886).*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin and to the Political Agents, Pudukkóttai, Banganapalle, and Sanduru proceedings, Public department, recording, with remarks, report on the work done during 1897–98 under the —.
780	8th "	..	No. 424 of 1898.	Rev. C. 5851	*Travancore Abkári Regulation.*—Stating, with remarks, that section 60 of the — does not contain the first clause of the corresponding section (64) of the Madras Act I of 1886 containing a presumption as to commission of offence, and directing the Resident to advise the Travancore Darbar to supply the omission and to report the result in due course.
781	8th "	..	..	1339	*Petition.*—Stating that the request of Mirzá Sikandar Bakhsh that his pension, which was resumed on his being convicted of certain crime by the Presidency Magistrate, may be restored to him is inadmissible, and requesting the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, to inform him accordingly.

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782	1898. 8th Nov.	..	.	1385	*Supply of Plague Inoculation serum for the Travancore Darbar.*—Enquiring of the Government of Bombay whether Dr. Haffkine can supply the Resident in Travancore and Cochin with Plague Inoculation serum sufficient for 7,000 cases.
786	10th „	..	..	1333	*A Memorial addressed to the Secretary of State for India.*—Withholding, with remark, — by Malayanchaperumal Nadar, Arumanayagam Nadar and others of South Travancore complaining of certain disabilities under which the Christians of that part of the Travancore State labour.
788	11th „	..	..	1415	*Visit of the First Prince of Travancore to the Periyár.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin proceedings of the Public Works department informing the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, that the first Prince of Travancore visits the Periyár from the 7th to the 1[illegible]th November 1898, and directing the Superintending Engineer to place the inspection bungalow near the dam at the disposal of the Prince.
789	11th „	..	..	1413	*Government Servants.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin and the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, proceedings, Public department, on letter from the Government of India requesting that the strict observance of the instructions on the subject of the dismissal of — for misconduct may again be impressed upon all officers concerned.
790	14th „	..	No. 11 R of 1889.	4407	*Loans.*— Recording proceedings, Financial department, communicating to the departments concerned Resolution of the Government of India prescribing certain rules regarding defaults in respect of — made to local authorities.
791	15th „	..	..	1381	*Sandur State.*—Recording letter from the Political Agent, Sandúr, submitting a further report on certain misappropriations of State funds in the — which recently came to light, and the arrangements to be made for the education of the minor Raja.

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792	1898. 16th Nov.	..	..	1426	*Plague Precautions at Outposts.*— Recording proceedings, Marine department, sanctioning, on certain conditions, the relaxation of the provisions referred to in G.O., No. 382, Marine, dated 13th May 1898, so as to admit of the landing at Mangalore of certain officers and crew of the vessels of the Bombay Steam Navigation Company.
793	16th „	..	..	1410	*Petition.*— Referring one Fátimá Bí Sahiba of Madras to the previous orders in regard to the distribution of the stipend of the late Muhammad Amin-ud-din Hussain Sahib, informing her that this question cannot be re-opened, and stating that her application for admission to the Muhammadan Gosha Widows' Fund should be addressed to the Secretary of that Charity.
794 796	16th „	..	Nos. 591–592 of 1898. Nos. 672–674 of 1898. Nos. 762–764 of 1878.	1406	*Dutch Records.*— Acknowledging receipt of the volume of — No. 855 sent by the Rev. A. H. Kroot, Catholic Priest, Madras; authorising the Accountant-General to pay him Rs. 79 being a further part payment of the charges for copying the — for the Netherlands Government; and advising the Government of the Dutch Indies of the despatch of the volume and of the charges in curred for copying the same. Copy to the Government of India.
797	16th „	..	..	1451	*His Highness the Raja of Pudukkóttai.*— Communicating to the Political Agent, Pudukkóttai, letter from the Government of Bombay stating that the Collector of Customs, Bombay, has been instructed to pass free of duty the baggage of —.
798	17th „	..	No. 628 of 1898.	1329	*New Places of Public Worship.*— Informing the Resident in Travancore and Cochin that the Government has no remarks to offer on the draft proclamation which the Travancore Durbar proposes to issue for regulating the erection and use of —.

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800	1898. 18th Nov.	..	..	1417A 1343	*Requisition for a Government Document.*—Informing Maulvi Ghulam Muhi-ud-din Sahib of Royapettah, Madras, that the document he asks for would be useless for the purpose for which he states he wants it, and that copy of it cannot be granted in the absence of explanation as to why it is required.
801	18th „	..	No. 287 R. of 1898. No. 758 of 1898.	1445	*Calcutta free from Plague.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin proceedings, Local and Municipal department, directing the republication in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of a notification by the Government of Bengal declaring — and withdrawing all inspections of, and restrictions regarding, travellers from that city.
802 803	18th „	..	..	D.O. No. 740A C. No. 1213	*Most Exalted Order of the Star of India.* — Acknowledging the receipt of the Insignia of a Knight Commander of the — and its accompaniments forwarded by the Secretary to the Order for delivery to Sir J. F. Price, and directing that they be delivered to him on his arrival in Madras and that the Badge of a Companion now in his possession be recovered and returned to the Secretary to the Order.
805	19th „	..	No. 695 of 1898. No. 646 of 1898.	1453	*Plague Regulations.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin and to the Political Agents, Pudukkóttai, Banganapalle and Sandúru, proceedings, Local and Municipal department, making certain concessions in regard to — in the case of oculated persons.
806	21st „	..	No. 818 of 1896. No. 604 of 1898.	1069	*Arms and Ammunition.*— Regarding the supply of — to the Police force in the Banganapalle State.
807	21st „	..	..	1383	*Petition.*—Directing the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, to inform Khadija Begam, great grand-daughter of the late Syed Muhammad Ausim Khan Bahádur, that Government sees no reason to re-consider G. O., No. 53, Political, dated 24th January 1888, declining to increase her stipend, and that further petitions on this subject will not be noticed.

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808	1898. 22nd Nov.	..	..	1431	*Petition.*—Directing the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to inform one Saiyid Husain, late a constable of the Travancore Police Force, that Government cannot interfere in the matter of his appeal against his dismissal from the service of the Darbar.
809	22nd „	..	..	1455	*Memorial addressed to the Secretary of State for India.*—Directing the Collector of North Arcot to inform Abid Ali Beg that his — has been withheld by the Government of India under Rule XII (4), A, Memorial Rules.
809-A	22nd „	..	No. 585 of 1898.	1458	*Her Highness M. Gouramba Boi Sahiba.*—Passing orders on letter from the Government Agent, Tanjore, forwarding letter from —, one of the Junior Ranis of Tanjore, reporting her intention of returning shortly to Tanjore from Benares, and requesting that the various authorities on her way may be addressed in view to rendering her every assistance during the course of the journey.
810	23rd „	..	Nos. 743–44 of 1898.	1370	*Swords in use by the Warder Guard of the Ernakulam Jail.*—Directing the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to make further inquiries in regard to the supply of the — in the Cochin State and to request the Darbar to cause a search to be made amongst its records in view to ascertaining whether these contain any papers on the subject.
811	24th „	..	Nos. 493–94 of 1898.	1448	*Diamond Jubilee.*—Directing the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to intimate to the Joint Secretaries of the Queen's Commemoration Committee, Travancore, that Her Majesty the Queen-Empress desires that Her thanks may be conveyed to the inhabitants of the Travancore State for their loyal address in honour of Her —.
813A	24th „	..	No. 782 of 1898.	1469	*Plague Serum.*—Informing the Government of Bombay by telegram that the Travancore Darbar urgently requires —.

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814	1898. 25th Nov.	..	..	..	*Commission to the President of the Tribunal of First Instance, Pondicherry.*— Forwarding to His Excellency the Governor of the French Settlements in India a — issued by the City Civil Judge, Madras, in O.S. No. 351 of 1897 on his file for the examination of certain witnesses residing in Pondicherry.
819	29th "	..	..	1484	*Members of Government.*—Recording proceedings, Public department, making certain distribution of work amongst the —.
820	30th "	..	..	1483	*Opium Smuggling.*—
821	30th "	..	..	1303 1440	*Petition.*—Informing Karím Muhi-ud-dín, grandson of the late Taqi-ud-dín Khan Bahadur, that his requests are inadmissible and that the Government declines to reconsider the question of his pension.
822	30th "	..	..	1372 1461	——— Informing Ramaswami Nalavadai of Tanjore that his request that he may be granted some monthly allowance from the lapsed stipend of his late sister M. Chinna Dharma Boi Ammal is inadmissible.
823	30th "	..	No. 598 of 1898.	1478	*Her Britannic Majesty's Consul at Saigon.*—Recording endorsement of the Government of India forwarding copy of its correspondence with — regarding the fees due to him for having executed certain commissions sent to him by the Political Agent, Pudukkóttai, in connection with a suit in the Chief Court of Pudukkóttai.

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282	1898. 2nd Nov.	..	..	1365-A	*Petition.*—Endorsing paragraph (ii) C petition rules on — from one Quadir Hussain of Royapettah, Madras, praying for the grant of a monthly stipend from the pension of the late Muhammad Ibadulla Khan Bahadur.
283 284	4th ,,	..	..	1361	*A petition addressed to the Resident at Hyderabad.*—Forwarding to the Resident at Hyderabad a petition addressed to him by a convict in the Trivandrum Central Jail.
285	5th ,,	..	..	..	*Confidential Proceedings of Government.*—Forwarding to the Under Secretary of State for India two copies of the —, Nos. 687–88, Political, dated 28th September 1898, in order to complete the volume of proceedings which will follow in due course.
286	7th ,,	..	..	1393	*Memorial.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin proceedings, Public department, directing that a — returned by the India Office be forwarded to that officer, through the Political department, for delivery to the writer K. M. Servaswara Sastri.
287	7th ,,	..	..	1391	*Quarantine.* — Recording proceedings, Local and Municipal department, on proceedings, Marine department, ordering the publication of the intimation from the Government of India declaring the town of Calcutta free from plague and requesting that — regulations should be withdrawn on arrivals from that place.

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288	1898. 10th Nov.	..	..	..	*Confidential Proceedings of Government.*—Forwarding to the Under Secretary of State for India two copies of the — Nos. 737, and 738 of 19th October 1898 in order to complete the volume of proceedings which will follow in due course.
289	11th "	..	..	1416	*Permission to reside in Travancore.*—Granting Archibald Thomas Bostock, Civil Engineer, —.
290	11th "	..	..	1350	*Petition.*—Endorsing paragraphs II-C Petition rules on — from Mahomed Saduck Hussain and Mahomed Jaffer Hussain, sons of the late Ghulam Murtaza Khan of Vellore, praying that their father's pension may be continued in their names.
291	11th "	..	..	1408	*Subramania Shasti Festival.*—Recording proceedings, Local and Municipal department, ordering the publication of a notification prohibiting the attendance of persons from infected parts at the — and Rulgunda cattle fair in the South Canara District, and requesting the Bombay and Mysore Governments to notify the prohibition of visitors intending to attend the same.
292	14th "	..	..	1396	*Petition.*—Endorsing paragraph 2 C. Petition rules on — from one Khadir Hussain Sahib of Royapettah, Madras, praying for the grant to him of a pension from the stipend of the late Muhammad Ibadulla Khan Bahadur.
293 294	15th "	..	..	1422	*Customs Duty.*—Forwarding to the Government of India copy of a letter addressed by the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to the Diwans of those States with reference to the notification issued by that Government declaring that European sail twine shall be assessed to duty *ad valorem*.
295 296	16th "	..	..	1424	——— Forwarding to the Government of India copy of letter addressed by the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to the Diwans of those States communicating letter from the Government of India stating that all "Quackenbush" and "Gem" air-guns, which are not adapted for use with explosive substances, should be classed as toys and assessed to duty at 5 per cent. *ad valorem*.

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297	1898 16th Nov.	..	..	1441	*Distribution of work amongst the Members of Government.* — Recording proceedings, Public department, directing that until further orders the departments dealt with by the Hon'ble Sir Henry Bliss, K.C.I.E., shall be transferred to the Hon'ble Mr. Winterbotham with the exception of papers in the Revenue department relating to Salt, Abkári and Separate Revenue which will be dealt with by the Hon' ble Mr. Arundel.
298	17th „	..	..	1364	*Travancore Penal Code Regulation I of* 1074.—Recording letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin forwarding for record two copies of the —.
299	17th „	..	No. 774 of 1898.	1435	*His Highness the Rajah of Cochin.*—Recording letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin forwarding copy of a letter from the Diwan of Cochin regarding the departure of — from Madras on the 6th instant.
300	18th „	..	..	..	*References from the Government of India.*—Forwarding to the Government of India, Foreign department, a statement of references from that department remaining unanswered at the end of the third quarter of 1898.
301 302	18th „	..	No. 745 of 1898.	1432	*Prince Rupert of Bavaria.*—Forwarding to the Government of India copy of a letter addressed by the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to the Diwans of those States on the subject of the proposed visit of — to India *incognito*.
303	22nd „	..	..	1449	*Petition.*— Authorizing the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, to furnish one Mahbúb-un-nisá Bégam with a true copy of certain document she asks for.
304	25th „	..	..	1468	*Yost No. 4 Typewriter.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin proceedings, Financial department, authorising the Superintendent of Stationery to supply him with a — on receipt of the supply recently indented for.

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305	1898. 28th Nov.	..	..	1464	*Petition.*—Endorsing paragraph 2 of C. Petition rules on — from one Abbassee Bee of Madras praying that she may be granted a monthly allowance from the stipend of the late Sayid-un-nisá Begam.
306	28th ,,	..	..	..	*Confidential Proceedings of Government.*—Forwarding to the Under Secretary of State for India two copies of —, No. 799, Political, dated 18th November 1898, in order to complete the volume of proceedings which will follow in due course.
307	28th ,,	..	..	1420	*Petition.* —Informing one T. S. Ranganatha Rao of Tanjore that his request that his — to the Government of Bombay praying for some pension may be forwarded with the recommendation of this Government cannot be granted.
308 309	28th ,,	..	..	1462	*Import Duty.*—Forwarding to the Government of India copy of a letter addressed by the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to the Diwans of those States regarding the decision of that Government that mineral oil should be assessed to — by volume.
310	28th ,,	..	..	1472	*Code for Lunatic Asylums.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin proceedings, Public department, furnishing him with another copy of the —.
311	29th ,,	..	..	1480	*Her Highness M. Gouramba Boi Sahiba of Tanjore.*—Recording telegram from the Government Agent, Tanjore, stating that — has wired that she would start on her return-journey from Benares about the 23rd instant.

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G.O., &c., Nos. 783, 784, 10th November 1898.

NOVEMBER.

Officers lent to Native States.

Directing the transmission to the Secretary of State of the returns for the quarter ending 30th September 1898 of officers whose services were lent to Native States, and of officers previously lent whose salaries were increased, and addressing the Government of India, Foreign Department, on the subject.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—Returns from Political Officers and the Public Works Department for the quarter ending 30th September 1898 of —

A—Officers whose services have been lent to Native States
and
B—Officers previously lent whose salaries have been increased.

ORDER—No. 783, Political, dated 10th November 1898.

The attention of the Resident in Travancore and Cochin will be drawn to G.O., No. 675, Political, dated 19th September 1898, in which it was intimated that M.R.Ry. Rao Sahib S. Swaminatha Aiyar Avargal, might, for the period he acted as Diwan of the Cochin State, be granted a salary of Rs. 1,000 *per mensem*. The Resident will be requested to report whether this increased salary was drawn. If so, the increase should have been included in the present return.

2. It is observed that the services of Mr. G. W. Lane, Assistant Superintendent of Police, have been placed at the disposal of the Government of India, Home Department, for employment under the Siamese Government—page 878 of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, Part I, dated 20th September 1898. The instructions of the Government of India will be requested as to whether such transfers to foreign service should be included in these returns.

3. The returns will be forwarded to the Secretary of State and a copy of the despatch will be furnished to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.
„ Accountant-General.

LETTER—No. 784, Political, dated Fort St. George, 10th November 1898, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department.

In enclosing a copy of despatch * forwarding to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India the return of officers whose services have been lent to Native States during the quarter ending 30th September 1898 together with a copy of the return in question, I am directed to state that the services of Mr. G. W. Lane, Assistant Superintendent of Police in this Presidency, have recently been placed at the disposal of the Government of India, Home Department, for employment under the Siamese Government—*vide* correspondence ending with my No. 1456, Judicial, dated 17th September 1898—and to request that you will be so good as to inform me whether such transfers to foreign service are to be included in this return.

* No. 5, dated 8th November 1898.

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

LETTER—to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, No. 5, Political, dated Fort St. George, 8th November 1898.

We have the honour to forward, for your Lordship's information, a return of officers whose services were lent to Native States during the quarter ending 30th September 1898 and a blank return of officers previously lent whose salaries were increased during the quarter.

APPENDIX.

A.

RETURN of Officers whose services have been lent to Native States during the quarter which ended on the 30th September 1898.

Serial No.	Number and date of letter of the Government of India or other authority sanctioning the transfer.	Name of officer and appointment held under the British Government.	State to which transferred.	Capacity in which transferred.	Gross salary on which transferred.	Actual or assumed pay on which contribution is paid.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Proceedings of the Madras Government, Nos. 452-53, Political, dated 4th July 1898.	Surgeon-Major Henry Thomson, I.M.S., Acting Sanitary Commissioner, Madras.	Travancore ..	Darbar Physician ..	Rs. 1,200	No contribution is paid, *vide* article 817 (*b*) of the Civil Service Regulations.	Free house. Deputation allowance of Rs. 5 a day and mileage at As. 8 for inspecting out-station hospitals.
2	Proceedings of the Madras Government, Nos. 542-43, Political, dated 8th August 1898.	K. Bappu, Second-Class Hospital Assistant, No. 424.	Sanduru ..	Hospital Assistant, second class.	Rs. 45, including a charge allowance of Rs. 10.	Rs. 35	....
3	Telegram from Government of India, Foreign Department, No. 1821-I., dated 1st July 1898 in Proceedings of the Madras Government, No. 451, Political, dated 4th July 1898.	M. Ramaswámi Pillai, Third Class Hospital Assistant, No. 653.	Do. ..	On Plague duty ..	Rs. 25	Rs. 25	Also draws a plague allowance of Rs. 10.

B.

RETURN of Officers previously lent to Native States whose salaries have been increased during the quarter ending 30th September 1898—*Nil.*

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G.O., No. 785, 10th November 1898.

NOVEMBER.

Carnatic Stipends.

Stating that the Government does not consider that there is any reason to depart from the ordinary rules as regards the amount to be continued from the stipends of the late Muḥammad 'Ibád-ulláh, Khán Bahádur; and directing the distribution of a moiety (Rs. 145) of the stipends among the family of the deceased.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers :—

From Lieutenant-Colonel D. D. PRYCE, I.S.C., Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, Chepak, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 15th August 1898, No. 292.

I have the honour to report with regret the demise, on the 5th instant, of Carnatic stipendiary No. 1308A, Muḥammad 'Ibád-ulláh, Khan Bahádur, by paralysis.

2. The deceased was drawing two stipends—one of Rs. 204–1–4 per mensem by G.O., No. 142, Political, dated 31st March 1874, and the other of Rs. 150 per mensem by G.O., No. 369, Political, dated 11th May 1883. Out of his first allowance he commuted a portion, viz., Rs. 4–1–4, by G.O., No. 369, Political, dated 22nd July 1881, and out of the latter a sum of Rs. 60 by G.O., No. 185, Political, dated 17th March 1894 ; so he was drawing only Rs. 290 in all at the time of his demise.

3. The first of his allowance, Rs. 200, is returned continuable (*vide* No. 30, page 5, Appendix A, Part II, of G.O., No. 135, Political, dated 1st March 1897). His second stipend, Rs. 90, is returned " moiety to widow " (*vide* No. 37, page 7, Appendix B, Part II, of the same Government Order). Under these circumstances, a sum of Rs. 145 is continuable under the rules to his family consisting of a shadi widow, a nikahi widow and three nikahi daughters.

4. I have received a petition from the deceased's shadi widow, Sulṭán-un-nisá Bégam, who prays that some special concession may be shown to her deceased husband's family under the following grounds :—

(*a*) The deceased held a high position in the Carnatic family by his birth, as the first shadi grandson of his late Highness 'Aẓím-ud-daula Bahádur, the first titular Nawab of the Carnatic, and that there is no one now surviving who can claim a similar position in the Carnatic family.

(*b*) The deceased was much respected on account of his noble birth and the Government were pleased to grant him Rs. 50 more than his other two brothers, as recommended by the late Colonel Baynes in his report embodied with G.O., No. 184, Political, dated 5th March 1883.

(*c*) The deceased was honoured by Government with the privilege of a " private entree " taking into consideration his noble birth—a privilege which no one in the Carnatic family enjoys.

(*d*) The deceased has left five heirs and a large retinue of servants and dependants who were supported by the deceased.

(*e*) The stipends of his paternal aunt Fáṭimá Bégam and step-mother Núr Jahán Bégam were continued—the first in full and the second two-thirds—to their respective families (*vide* G.O., No. 679, Political, dated 22nd October 1888, and G.O., No. 520, Political, dated 12th November 1881, respectively).

5. With regard to the above, I have the honour to submit that it is true that the deceased held some exceptional position in the Carnatic family on account of his high birth as the first shadi son of the late Rashíd-ud-daula Bahádur, who was the son by the second shadi wife of his late Highness the first titular Nawab of the Carnatic.

6. The deceased in 1884 submitted to this office a list of his heirs in which he does not mention the names of any servant or dependant. The question whether the family of the deceased has made up a case for a special concession or not is, I beg to

state, left at the discretion of Government, but at the same time I beg to apportion as follows the maximum amount continuable under the existing rules, viz., Rs. 145 per mensem, amongst his five heirs :—

		RS.
1308A/1	Sulṭán-un-nisá Bégam (aged about 60 years), shadi widow ..	65
1308A/2	Mubárak-un-nisá Bégam (aged about 61 years), nikahi widow ..	20
1308A/3	Raḥmat-un-nisá Bégam (aged about 44 years), nikahi daughter.	20
1308A/4	Rahim-un-nisá Bégam (aged about 36 years), nikahi daughter.	20
1308A/5	Ujáli Bégam (aged about 29 years), nikahi daughter	20
	Total ..	145

7. I have allotted to the shadi widow Rs. 65, which is less than what her position as a shadi widow would demand under Lord Clive's scale ; the reason for my so doing is that Sulṭán-un-nisá Bégam is a lonely lady without any encumbrances and was receiving during the lifetime of the deceased Rs. 30, whereas on the other hand the daughters of the deceased have families. Considering the smallness of the amount to be continued, I beg to submit that the share I now recommend to be allotted to the shadi widow, which is nearly one-half of the amount recommended to be continued to the whole family, would be considered but fair.

8. By the perusal of records it will be found that Lord Clive's scale was not kept in strict observance in the cases of "1855" stipendiaries, but as G.O., No. 696, Political, dated 29th October 1888, directs to follow the scale invariably in the distribution of Carnatic stipends, I beg to suggest, under the above mentioned circumstances, a departure from the Lord Clive's scale in the present case of the shadi widow of the late 'Ibád-ulláh, Khán Bahádur, under report, as was done in the case of the shadi widow of the late Dilair Jang disposed of by G.O., No. 777, Political, dated 28th November 1888.

MEMORANDUM No. 1945, Political.

With reference to paragraph 8 of his letter read above, it is observed that G.O., No. 465, Political, dated 17th July 1895, affords a precedent for the treatment of double stipends when one is continuable and the other is returned as "moiety to widow." The Paymaster is requested to report whether he can quote any other precedents to the point. He is also desired to state his opinion on the correct mode of distributing such stipends.

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

12th September 1898.

To the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.

From Lieutenant-Colonel D. D. PRYCE, I.S.C., Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, Chepak, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 19th September 1898, No. 326.

With reference to your memorandum No. 1945, Political, dated 12th September 1898, I have the honour to state that I regret I should have either quoted G.Os., Nos. 499 and 196, Political, dated 29th July 1884 and 14th March 1887, respectively, or paragraph 3 of this office report No. 432, dated 11th October 1888, instead of the expression "by the perusal of the records."

2. Since the publication of G.O., No. 359, Political, dated 22nd May 1885, only two cases occurred of stipendiaries drawing double stipends, of which one was returned continuable and the other "moiety to widow." The second case was disposed by G.O., No. 465, Political, dated 17th July 1895, and the first one by G.Os., No. 740, Political, dated 26th September 1887, paragraph 2, and No. 469, dated 10th July 1888. In this case the widow being a *nikahi* one, she was allotted less than a moiety of her late husband's stipend of Rs. 140 per mensem.

3. I beg humbly to opine on the correct mode of distributing double stipends as follows :—

(1) In case of an 1801 stipendiary, two-thirds of the continuable stipend and half of the stipend that is returned "moiety to widow" be added together and distributed to the whole family in accordance with Lord Clive's scale.

(2) In case of an 1855 stipendiary one-half of both the stipends be added together and distributed to the whole family according to Lord Clive's scale.

4. I herewith beg to append two lists, marked A and B, of persons drawing double stipends for the perusal of Government, from which it will be seen that there is only one case of the nature on the whole list of stipendiaries which is to be disposed of in future. These lists do not contain the names of those persons who draw double stipends both of which are either returned "continuable" or "moiety to widow."

Enclosures.

A.

List of 1801 stipendiaries drawing double stipends, one of which is returned continuable and the other "moiety to widow."

Stipend number.	Names.	Continuable stipend per mensem.	Stipend returned moiety to widow.	Reference.
		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	
440/7 C	Muḥammad Váris 'Ali	14 4 8	..	Serial No. 53, Part I, Appendix A, page 4, of G.O., No. 135, Political, dated 1st March 1897.
1310/2 C	Do.	..	19 11 4	Serial No. 43, Part II, Appendix B, page 7, of G.O., No. 135, Political, dated 1st March 1897.

B.

List of 1855 stipendiaries drawing double stipends, one of which is returned continuable and the other "moiety to widow.—*Nil.*

Order—No. 785, Political, dated 10th November 1898.

The Governor in Council does not consider that there is any reason to depart from the ordinary rules as regards the amount to be continued from the stipends of the late Muḥammad 'Ibád-ulláh, Khán Bahádur. A moiety (Rs. 145) of the stipends will accordingly be distributed among the family of the deceased in the following shares :—

	RS.	A.	P.
Sulṭán-un-nisá Bégam, shadi widow	93	0	11
Mubárak-un-nisá Bégam, nikahi widow	18	9	10
Raḥmat-un-nisá Bégam, nikahi daughter	11	1	9
Raḥím-un-nisá Bégam do.	11	1	9
Ujáli Bégam, nikahi daughter	11	1	9
Total ..	145	0	0

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.
" Accountant-General.

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G.O., No. 787, 11th November 1898.

NOVEMBER.

Laccadive Islands.

Communicating to the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), for report, letter from the Government of India requesting to be furnished with a statement showing the gross revenue derived from and the gross expenditure incurred on account of the administration of the — from fasli 1285 inclusive.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following papers :—

G.O., Nos. 141, 142, Political, dated 25th February 1898.

Abstract.—Requesting the Board of Revenue to submit certain information regarding the finances of the Laccadive Islands and addressing the Government of India on the subject of the administration of the islands.

G.O., Nos. 323, 324, Political, dated 12th May 1898.

Abstract.—Forwarding, with remarks, to the Government of India two statements submitted by the Board of Revenue showing respectively the accounts of tribute for the Laccadive Islands and those of peshkash for the Cannanore lands revised up to the end of fasli 1306.

Read—also the following paper :—

From Captain H. Daly, c.i.e., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 21st October 1898, No. 2858-I.A.

I am directed to refer to your letters, as marked in the margin, regarding the administration of the Laccadive Islands.

No. 142, dated the 25th February 1898, with enclosures.
No. 324, dated the 12th May 1898, with enclosures.

2. Before orders are passed, I am to request that the Government of India may be furnished with a statement showing, as clearly and concisely as possible, from the fasli year 1285 inclusive—

(*a*) the gross revenues derived from the islands with the main heads of receipt;

(*b*) the gross expenditure debited to the islands, showing, under main heads, the charges for administration and also the sums actually recovered from this island revenues for tribute and on other accounts (if any).

Where the annual receipts or charges exhibit relatively large variations, brief explanations of such variations should be furnished.

3. The orders * regarding the resumption of the islands, sanctioned the grant to Ali Raja and his successors of a *malikana* of 20 per cent. on the normal revenue. It is understood that no payment has actually been made to the Raja on this account. I am to enquire whether this is correct.

* Letters from the Government of India, in the Foreign Department, No. 459-P., dated the 14th February 1876, and No. 594-P., dated the 2nd March 1879.

ORDER—No. 787, Political, dated 11th November 1898.

The foregoing letter from the Government of India will be communicated to the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue) for report.

2. The first of the communications referred to in paragraph 3 of the letter is not traceable in the records of Government and the date of the second communication is 2nd March 1876, and not 1879 (*vide* G.O., No. 180, Political, dated the 22nd March 1876).

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue).

Government (1898) of Madras.

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G.O., &c., Nos. 812, 813, 24th November 1898.

NOVEMBER.

Transfer of Services.

According sanction to the transfer of the services of Kuppuswami Pillai, 1st Grade Head Constable No. 18 of Trichinopoly, to the Pudukkóttai State on a net salary of Rs. 50 + 15 horse allowance up to the 30th June 1899.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper:—

From R. H. SHIPLEY, Esq., Political Agent for Pudukkóttai, Trichinopoly, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 15th October 1898, Ref. on Cur. No. 509-O—Pol.

The Darbar applies for the loan of the services of Kuppusawmi Pillai, 1st Grade Head Constable No. 18 of Trichinopoly, to fill up a temporary vacancy in the Inspector's grade on a salary of Rs. 50 + 15 horse allowance. His deputation to the State will last till the end of next June. The Superintendent of Police, Trichinopoly, who is the ex-officio Superintendent of Police of the State recommends it. There is, as far as I see, no objection to the deputation of the Head Constable, and I have the honour to request that the necessary sanction of Government may be obtained thereto. The nominee has more than 10 years' pensionable service and his deputation would not violate the rules of the Civil Service Regulations on the subject.

Order—No. 812, Political, dated 24th November 1898.

Sanction is accorded, under clauses (ii) (*a*) and (iv) (2) of article 806 of the Civil Service Regulations, to the transfer of the services of Kuppuswami Pillai, 1st Grade Head Constable No. 18 of Trichinopoly, to the Pudukkóttai State on a net salary of Rs. 50 + 15 horse allowance up to the 30th June 1899.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector-General of Police.
" Accountant-General.
" Political Agent, Pudukkóttai.

Endorsement—No. 813, Political, dated 24th November 1898.

Copy to the Government of India, Foreign Department.

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

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G.O., No. 815, 25th November 1898.

NOVEMBER.

Health Institute for India.

Communicating to Political officers in the Madras Presidency letter from the Government of India regarding a scheme for the establishment of a Health Institute for India, to be erected and endowed by Ruling Chiefs in commemoration of the sixtieth year of Her Majesty's reign, with the remark that the matter should be brought to the notice of Darbars in a suitable manner and the result reported in due course.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper :—

G.O., No. 588, Political, dated 4th September 1897.

ABSTRACT.—Communicating to Political officers certain papers received from the Government of India regarding a scheme for the establishment of a Health Institute for India to be founded and endowed by the Ruling Chiefs and Nobles in commemoration of the sixtieth year of the reign of Her Majesty the Queen-Empress.

READ—also the following paper :—

From Captain H. DALY, C.I.E., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 28th October 1898, No. 2932-I/A.

I am directed to refer to my letter, No. 2893-I/A., dated the 9th August 1897, regarding a scheme for the establishment of a Health Institute for India.

2. The Government of India are anxious that the scheme should not be indefinitely held in abeyance. The Maharaj Rana of Dholpur represents that while the Native Chiefs are generally in sympathy with the object of the scheme, it is very difficult for him unaided to obtain from them the definite promises of support required for its furtherance. It is therefore desirable that Political officers should assist in bringing the matter to a point. I am to explain that while the Government of India do not desire pressure to be put upon any Chief, they are of opinion that the object aimed at is a good one which Political officers should encourage and not discourage. It should be borne in mind that if the Health Institute is to be founded and endowed by the Ruling Chiefs and Nobles of India in commemoration of the sixtieth year of Her Majesty Queen Victoria's reign, the support given by them should be worthy of so dignified an object, and of the status of the Chiefs concerned.

3. I am to invite the co-operation of His Excellency the Governor in Council in the matter.

ORDER—No. 815, Political, dated 25th November 1898.

The foregoing letter from the Government of India will be communicated to Political officers in the Madras Presidency with the intimation that the matter referred to therein should be brought to the notice of Darbars of Native States in a suitable manner and the result reported in due course.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.
,, Political Agent, Pudukkóttai.
,, ,, Banganapalle.
,, ,, Sanduru.

Government (1898) of Madras.

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G.O., No. 816, 25th November 1898.

NOVEMBER.

Civil disabilities of Christian Converts in certain Native States.

Recording endorsement of the Government of India forwarding copy of its reply to the memorial addressed to that Government by certain Missionary Societies on the subject of the civil disabilities of Christian converts in the Native States of Mysore, Travancore and Cochin.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read— again the following paper :—

G.O., Nos. 693, 694, Political, dated 30th September 1898.

Abstract.—Stating that the proposed legislation to remove the civil disabilities of Christian converts in Travancore and Cochin has met with the disapproval of the Darbars, its officers and the Resident and that the paramount power would not be justified in enforcing it upon the Darbars, and addressing the Government of India on the subject.

Read—also the following paper :—

From O. V. BOSANQUET, Esq., Officiating Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department, to the President of the Church Missionary Society, the Foreign Secretary, London Missionary Society, the President of the Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society, 14, 15 and 16, Salisbury Square, London, E.C., dated Simla, 7th November 1898, No. 3021-I/A.

My letter No. 1566-I/A., dated the 26th April 1897, furnished you with a copy of the reference made by the Government of India to the Government of Madras in connection with your memorial to the address of His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General of India on the subject of personal religious freedom in the States of Mysore, Travancore and Cochin.

Letter No. 601, Political, dated the 11th September 1897 (with enclosures).
Letter No. 694, Political, dated the 30th September 1898 (with enclosures).

2. I am now directed to forward a copy of each of the marginally-noted communications from the Government of Madras. The Governor in Council was originally disposed to advise the Darbars of Travancore and Cochin to protect Christian Converts within their territories by legislation on the lines of the Caste Disabilities Removal Act, 1850 (XXI of 1850). The proposal has, however, met with unanimous opposition in both States, on the ground that it is uncalled for and strikes at the root of the whole social fabric of the country. The fundamental principle of the community is the joint family system, according to which the family property is indivisible and members of the family are only entitled to maintenance therefrom so long as they discharge certain religious duties in which a convert to Christianity is unable to join. Nevertheless such is religious toleration in these Hindu States that the Native Christian population is relatively more numerous than in any other part of India. The majority are Roman Catholics who have not joined the present movement, and of the balance, the greater proportion, as explained in the Resident's letter, No. 1714, dated the 20th June 1898, would not be affected by the proposed measure. Converts, almost without exception, are drawn from the classes destitute of property. Accordingly, it appears incontestable that the proposed legislation, while it would be unpopular and might become a source of trouble, would fail to benefit those in whose interests it was designed.

3. Under these circumstances, the Government of Madras are opposed to pursuing the matter further. The Government of India endorse this view, and are of the same opinion as regards the State of Mysore. Her Highness the Maharani-Regent of Mysore is strongly averse to the proposed legislation.

No. 3022-I/A.

A copy of the foregoing letter is forwarded to the Government of Madras for information, with reference to their letter No. 694, Political, dated the 30th September 1898.

(By order, &c.)

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT, SIMLA,
7th November 1898.

(Signed) O. V. BOSANQUET,
Offg. Dy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ORDER—No. 816, Political, dated 25th November 1898.

Recorded.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

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G.O., &c., Nos. 817, 818, 29th November 1898.

NOVEMBER.

Acquisition of certain lands by the Mysore Darbar in Ootacamund.

Directing that the Resident in Mysore be addressed regarding the proposed acquisition by the Mysore Darbar of certain waste lands adjoining "Fern Hill" at Ootacamund.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

Read— again the following paper :—

G.O., No. 523, Political, dated 28th July 1898.

Abstract.—Requesting the Resident in Mysore to inform the Mysore Darbar that His Excellency the Governor in Council regrets his inability to comply with its request for the grant of 16·85 acres of Government waste lands adjoining its property Fern Hill in Ootacamund.

Read—also the following paper :—

From Lieutenant-Colonel D. ROBERTSON, Resident in Mysore, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Bangalore, 4th October 1898, No. 5276—359–91.

I have the honour to forward, with reference to paragraph 2 of the Proceedings of the Government of Madras in the Political Department, No. 523, dated the 28th July last, the accompanying copy of a letter, No. 4228—Pol. F. 9–98, of the 23rd ultimo, from the Mysore Darbar, regarding the proposed acquisition by them of certain waste lands adjoining "Fern Hill" at Ootacamund.

2. It will be in the recollection of the Madras Government that in paragraph 2 of my letter noted in the margin, I gave an assurance almost similar to the one now offered by the Darbar. I imagine, therefore, that the question in all its bearings has already been fully considered. Should, however, His Excellency the Governor in Council see fit to accede to the request of the Mysore Darbar now repeated, I have no doubt that any stipulations considered necessary will be faithfully observed.

No. 11, dated 12th May 1898.

Enclosure.

From the Secretary to the Government of Mysore, General and Revenue Departments, to the First Assistant to the Resident in Mysore, dated 23rd September 1898, No. 4228—Pol. F. 9–98.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 3988—359–91, dated 12th ultimo, conveying formal sanction of the Government of India to the purchase of the Glenview property and 37 acres of private patta land and communicating the inability of His Excellency the Governor in Council to grant the Darbar certain waste lands adjoining Fern Hill at Ootacamund on the ground that they comprise a reserved forest and a stream over both of which the Madras Government wishes to maintain control. With reference to these waste lands, I am to submit, for consideration, that the Darbar are prepared to modify their former application for the same by agreeing to accept any conditions which the Madras Government may consider necessary for continuance of its control over them. The possession of these lands is desired with the sole object of securing a right of way across them and of preventing the very insanitary use to which

they are now put by cartmen and others. If, under such circumstances, the Madras Government see its way to grant a lease of the lands subject to such conditions as it may think proper, the Darbar will gladly accept such lease as adding to the convenience of their Highnesses during their stay at Ootacamund. I am to add that the Darbar will feel much obliged to the Resident for any support he may be able to give to the present request of the Darbar.

Order—No. 817, Political, dated 29th November 1898.

The following letter will be despatched to the Resident in Mysore.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.

Letter— No. 818, Political, dated Fort St. George, 29th November 1898, to the Resident in Mysore.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 5276—359–91, dated the 4th October 1898, forwarding copy of a communication from the Mysore Darbar regarding the proposed acquisition by them of certain waste lands adjoining "Fern Hill" at Ootacamund.

2. The objects for which the Darbar desires to get possession of the lands are stated to be the securing of a right of way across them and of preventing the very insanitary use to which they are now put by cartmen and others.

3. I am to observe that the insanitary condition of lands is a matter which should be brought to the notice of the local authorities who have sufficient power to prevent their continuance in that state.

4. As regards a right of way over the "Forest reserve", if that is what is meant, I am to state that the Governor in Council will be prepared to consider the question if the Darbar will define distinctly the right which it desires to secure.

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.